

## TOWN OF BRISTOL, RHODE ISLAND RECEIVED ADMIN. OFFICE

OFFICE OF TOWN ADMINISTRATOR

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## **EXECUTIVE ORDER** 20-02 March 14, 2020 DECLARATION OF DISASTER EMERGENCY

WHEREAS, on January 30, 2020, the World Health Organization designated the novel coronavirus, COVID-19, outbreak as a Public Health Emergency of International Concern:

WHEREAS, on January 31, 2020, the Rhode Island Department of Health (RIDOH) established an Incident Command System response to COVID-19;

WHEREAS, on January 31, 2020, United States Health and Human Services Secretary Alex M. Azar II declared a public health emergency for the entire United States to aid the nation's healthcare community in responding to COVID-19;

WHEREAS, on March 9, 2020, Governor Gina Raimondo signed Executive Order 20-02 declaring a State of Emergency in the State of Rhode Island;

WHEREAS, on March 13, 2020, the President of United States Donald J. Trump made an emergency declaration under Section 501(b) of the Robert T. Stafford Disaster Relief and Emergency Assistance Act, 42 U.S.C. 5121-5207 (the "Stafford Act");

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Steven Contente, Town Administrator of the Town of Bristol, Rhode Island, by virtue of the authority vested in me by the Bristol Home Rule Charter Section 306(g), hereby declare a State of Emergency for the Town of Bristol, Rhode Island;

FURTHER, based upon this local declaration of emergency, all entertainment licenses issued under Chapter 5 of the Code of Ordinances, as well as temporary mass gathering and event permits issued under Chapter 19, are hereby revoked, and no new licenses or permits shall be issued:

IN ADDITION, for all license types, license holder are restricted from serving or gathering more than 100 patrons at a time;

IN ADDITION, all non-essential public meetings will be cancelled and rescheduled;

FURTHER, All Town offices and departments may operate on a modified staffing schedule and may restrict in-person business activity for the health and safety of municipal employees and members of the public;

This Order shall take effect immediately and be in full force until April 8, 2020, unless renewed modified, or terminated by a subsequent declaration. Per order of:

Steven Contente

Bristol Town Administrator